

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of :

Roland SCHULE et al. :

Examiner: J. Murphy

Serial No.: 09/428,647 :

Group Art Unit: 1646

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Title: USE OF SLIM3 FOR BINDING TO MOLECULES

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(16)**REPLY TO ADVISORY ACTION**Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In response to the Advisory Action mailed August 13, 2002, please amend the above-identified application and consider the remarks which follow.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 10-23 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please amend the claims as follows:2. (Amended) A The method of claim 1, wherein said cell is a 293 cell or a yeast cell.3. (Amended) A The method of claim 1, wherein said determining is measuring transcription of a gene activated by human AR or human ER β .4. (Amended) A The method of claim 1, wherein said human AR or human ER β is a chimeric protein comprising a GAL4 binding domain and SLIM3 is a chimeric protein comprising a GAL4 activator domain.5. (Amended) A The method of claim 4, wherein said cell is a yeast cell comprising a β -galactosidase reporter gene.

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